

Grantee Training Manual

Federal Financial Reports

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Document Conventions

Overview

Welcome to the Grants Online Training Manual. This manual is set up to provide you with step-by-step information to accomplish tasks within Grants Online. The manual is logically sequenced based on the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) Grants lifecycle process and is written to address your role within Grants Online.

Using this Guide

Use the following writing conventions as a guide in using the manual. The manual uses block label text in order to scan for the information desired.

Text Conventions

Text; Example
What it means.

Text in Bold; Click Done
Indicates a command.

Text in Italics; RFA Details screen appears.

Text in Bold Italics; Name
Indicates a screen.

Indicates data to be entered into a field.

Text in All Caps; LOGIN
Indicates a field name.

Notes and Warnings

Notes and Warnings are used to indicate information or advisories when using Grants Online.

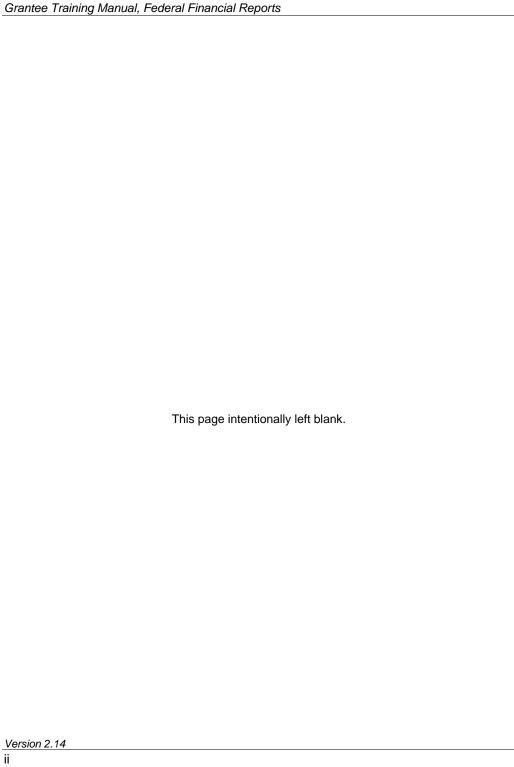


Note: A note is used to inform you about additional information during the procedure or process.



Warning!

Business process may not work as desired or a procedure may produce an undesirable effect.



Grants Online Overview

Overview

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) offers a variety of competitive and non-competitive grants or awards to various communities including states, universities, and non-profit organizations. Prior to the advent of Grants Online, the processing of grants was a paper-based task involving time-consuming human interactions and program polices to process the grants and to ensure the awarding of the grant is given to the most qualified applicant for a competitive award, and for qualified designated applicants of non-competitive awards.

As part of its strategy to move scientifically and operationally into the 21st century, Grants Online was developed. Grants Online is an E-Government initiative to create an automated tool that will support the end to end grants process from solicitation through closeout of an award. Grants Online significantly streamlines and unifies grants processing throughout all of NOAA, allowing the agency to increase efficiencies related to mission goals.

Grants Online serves the NOAA community in its efforts to meet its mission goals more effectively and has achieved the following:

- Interface with Grants.gov to ensure applicants can apply for grants electronically, thereby dramatically decreasing the number of paper applications
- Reduction in processing time by incorporating workflows between Federal Program Officers (FPO), Grants Management Division (GMD), Federal Assistance Law Division (FALD), and Reviewers.

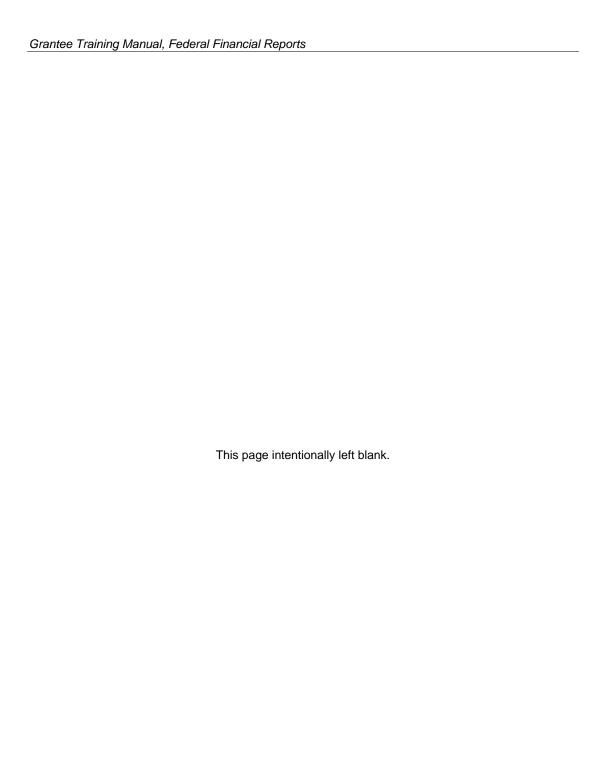
Grants Online Software Description

About Grants Online

Grants Online operates in a web environment. As such, you will be required to use an internet browser to log in and use Grants Online. No software is required for installation. As Grants Online is web-based, you may access the system anywhere at anytime provided that you have internet access. Logins and passwords are required and will be relayed to you once you are established within the system.



Note: You must have an Internet connection in order to access Grants Online.



Getting Started

Overview

When you are using any Windows-based software, navigation and ease of use are key components. Grants Online incorporates an intuitive Graphic User Interface (GUI) that assists end users to navigate and use the system appropriately. In Grants Online, all actions within the system can be made through mouse and keyboard.

Overview

Grants Online is accessible through your web browser, specifically Internet Explorer.

Accessing Grants Online

- 1. Click on the Internet Explorer Icon on your desktop
 - Internet Explorer browser opens
- **2.** Enter the following URL information in your address bar of your browser: https://grantsonline.rdc.noaa.gov then press **ENTER**
 - Grants Online Login page appears

Logging in to Grants Online

- If you haven't already, contact the Grants Online Help Desk to obtain your Username and Password.
 - Phone: 301-444-2112 or toll free at 1-877-662-2478.
 - Email: grantsonline.helpdesk@noaa.gov
- 2. Enter your assigned *Username*
- 3. Enter your assigned *Password*
- 4. Click Enter





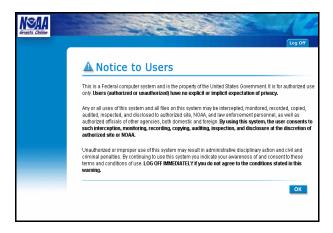
Warning!

If you entered your username or password incorrectly you will see an error message in red on the screen. After three unsuccessful attempts to log in, the system will lock you out and you will have to contact the Grants Online Help Desk to unlock your account

If nothing happens when you click enter, it means the server is down and will need to be restarted.

Logging in to Grants Online

- 5. The Notice to Users screen appears
- 6. Review disclaimer information and click **OK**





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Completing a Federal Financial Report

Overview

This manual will help you learn how to search, complete, and submit Federal Financial Reports using Grants Online.

Manual Objectives

The Federal Financial Reports module will review the following topics:

- Federal Financial Reports Overview
- Processing Federal Financial Reports
- Forward Federal Financial Reports to the agency

What You'll Need to know about Federal Financial Reports

Federal Financial Reports are generated the day after the end date of the reporting period. A Federal Financial Report can also be generated if there is a Special Award Condition requesting an alternate frequency.

The final Federal Financial Report covers the life of the award and the recipient has 90 days after the end of an award to submit the report. Post-award actions must be reported in the final report, along with the activities that occurred during the reporting period. Any activities such as paying salaries or final expenditures that occurred during the 90 day window prior to the final report being submitted should also be included in the final report.

Accessing and Completing a SF-269A Financial Status Report

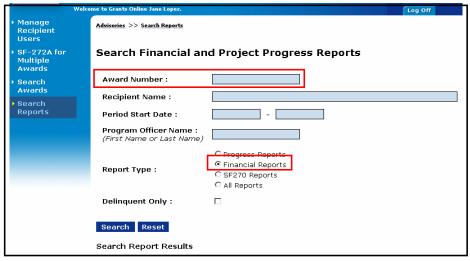
- 1. Select the "Award" tab from the navigation panel, located at the top of the webpage.
- 2. Select the "Search Reports" link from the left hand menu.



- 3. The "Search Financial and Project Progress Reports" launch page will appear. From this page, there are several report search options available using various search criteria.
- 4. Enter the *Award Number* and select the "Financial Reports" radio button. Alternatively, you may select the Delinquent Only checkbox to view all delinquent financial reports.



Note: If you do not know the Award number, select the Financial Reports radio button, followed by selecting "Search." This will return all awards for which you are designated as a representative. If you are an Authorized Representative or Business/Financial Representative, all Awards for your organization will be displayed. Alternatively, you may narrow the search by entering the Award Number or entering other search criteria.



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- 5. The search results will be displayed at the bottom of the page. Notice the status of each report located in the "Status" column. The affiliated status for each financial report is defined below:
 - Accepted The report has been submitted and accepted by NOAA.
 - Not Delinquent The place holder has been created and report is ready to be submitted. The report is not delinquent due to the fact that the report due date has not passed.
 - **Delinguent** –The report was not submitted to NOAA prior to the report due date. Although the report was not submitted by the required date, it can still be submitted to NOAA via Grants Online.
 - Withdrawn The report was accepted by NOAA but subsequently withdrawn for correction. A



Search Report Results

Note: If you enter search criteria into more than one field, you are asking the system to search and match all the information you entered. We recommend you enter a limited amount of search criteria to ensure the most accurate results.

corrected report is created for every withdrawn report.

Replaced - The original report created has been withdrawn and replaced with a new report.

Deleted: ng

<u>Report</u>	<u>Award Number</u>	Reporting Period Start	Reporting Period End	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Program</u> <u>Officer</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
SF-272: Federal <u>Cash</u> Transaction <u>s</u> Report	NA03NMF4570378	10/01/2005	03/31/2006		Derek M. Orner		Virginia Institute of Marine Science
BF-272: Federal <u>Cash</u> Transactions Report	NA04NMF4550390	04/01/2006	09/30/2006	12/29/2006	Kelly A. Taranto	,	Virginia Institute of Marine Science
SF-272: Federal Cash Transactions Report	NA03NMF4540022	10/01/2006	12/31/2006	03/31/2007	Maria J. Uitterhoeve	·	Virginia Institute of Marine Science
<u>SF-272: Federal</u> Cash	NA16OP1487	04/01/2003	09/30/2003	10/30/2003	Quay Frances	Delinquent	Virginia Institute of



Transactions

Report

Note: If a Financial Status Report record is not available for submission, contact the Grants Online Help Desk to have the necessary report record added to the system.

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 Locate the report to be completed and select the actual report name link from the "Reports" column. (i.e. SF -269 Financial Status Report)

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<u>Report</u>	<u>Award Number</u>	Reporting Period Start			<u>Program</u> <u>Officer</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
<u>SF-269:</u> Financial Status Report	NA16OP1487	10/01/2002	03/31/2003		Quay Frances Dortch	Accepted	Virginia Institute of Marine Science
<u>SF-269:</u> Financial Status Report	NA16OP1487	09/01/2001	09/30/2001	10/31/2001	Quay Frances Dortch	Delinquent	Virginia Institute of Marine Science
SF-269: Financial Status Report	NA04NMF4550390	10/01/2004	09/30/2006	12/29/2006	Kelly A. Taranto	Delinquent	Virginia Institute of Marine Science

- 7. The "SF-269: Financial Status Report" launch page will be displayed. Review the "Report Header Information" section verifying the reporting period, report type and the report due date.
- 8. Select the "Go to SF-269: Financial Status Report Details" link.



9. The "Financial Status Report – SF-269A" details page is displayed. Review the detailed Financial Report information and verify all fields. Complete the report by populating the mandatory fields (denoted by a *) with data. All information should be verified and/or entered into the following sections:

- Federal Agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted
- Federal Grant or Other Identifying Number Assigned by Federal Agency
- Recipient Organization
- EIN Number
- Recipient Identifying Number or Account Number
- Final Report

- Basis
- Funding/Grant Period
- Period Covered by this Report
- Transactions
- Indirect Expense
- Remarks
- Certification

Please see the next page for a screen shot of the SF-269A Financial Status Report details page.



Note: Upon accessing the "SF-269: Financial Status Report" details page, you are automatically prompted to the short version of the form, also known as the SF-269A. To complete the long version of the form, also known as the, SF-269, first complete Steps 1-8 under the "Completing a SF-269A Financial Status Report" section listed above, prior to completing the steps below.

Advisories >> Search Awards >> Search Reports >> SF-269: Financia	Status Report - FINAL -	NA04NMF45	50390	
Financial Status Report				
1. Federal Agency and Organzational Element to W Submitted Department of Commerce/NOAA	hich Report is	Agency		ntifying Number Assigned by Federal
3.Recipient Organization Virginia Institute of Marine Science P.O. Box 1346, Gloucester Point, VA 23062 USA				
4. EIN Number 5. Recipient Identifying Number or Account Numbe	546001802			
6. Final Report	@ Yes € No			
7. Basis*	O Cash O Accrus	al		
8. Funding/Grant Period From: 10/01/2004 - To: 09/3 9. Period covered by this Report October 01, 2004 -		16		
10. Transactions:				
	I Previously Re	norted	II This Period	III Cumulative
a. Total outlays*	\$	porceu	t e e e e e	\$0.00
b. Recipient Share of outlays	¢		t	
c. Federal Share of outlays*	¢		t	\$0.00
d. Total Unliquidated Obligations*	+1		J +L	*
e. Recipient share of unliquidated obligations*				**
f. Federal share of unliquidated obligations*				*
g. Total Federal Share(Sum of lines c and f)				\$0.00
h. Total Federal funds authorized for this funding period	d			\$157,263.00
i. Unobligated balance of Federal Funds(line h minus lin	e g)			\$157,263.00
11. Indirect Expense:a. Type of Rate(Place "X" in appropriate box) O Provisi	ional C Brodotormin	ad Orio	ol O Finad @ Nano /NA	
b. Rate 960.0	onar O Predetermin	eu orin	iai © rixeu ® Norie/NA	
c. Base				
d. Total Amount				
e. Federal Share				
12. Remarks:	2			
Spell Check	b		:	
13. Certification: I certify to the best of my knowledg obligations are for the purposes set forth in the award Typed or Printed Name and Title: , Telephone (Area code, number and extension): Date Report Submitted:		is report	is correct and complete	and that all outlays and unliquidated
Click here to use the long version of this form				
Clicking Save and Return to Main will start workflow if r Save Save and Return to Main Cance	ot already started. Print			

This form is not validated and cannot be forwarded to NOAA. Clicking the Save button will show validation issues.

Accessing and Completing a SF-269 Financial Status Report

- 1. First, complete steps 1-9 from the "Accessing and Completing a SF-269A Report" section above.
- 2. From the "SF-269: Financial Status Report" details page, scroll down to the bottom of the page and select the link entitled, "Click here to use the long version of this form."

13. Certification: I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that this report is correct and complete and that all outlays and unliquide obligations are for the purposes set forth in the award documents.

Typed or Printed Name and Title:
Telephone (Area code, number and extension):
Date Report Submitted:

Click here to use the long version of this form

Clicking Save and Return to Main will start workflow if not already started.

Save Save and Return to Main Cancel Print

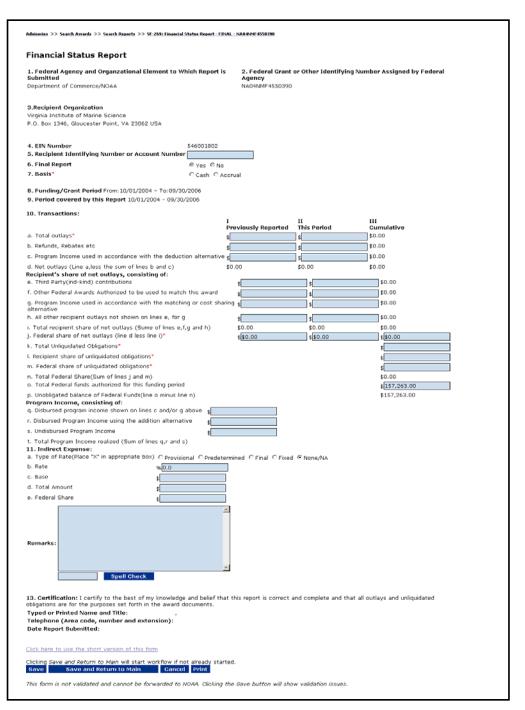
- 3. The SF-269 (long version) will appear. The difference between the long and short versions of these forms is that some sections on the long version include additional details. The long form contains thirteen sections of detailed Financial Report information, including the fields that are locked and cannot be edited. All fields requiring data to be entered are flagged with a red asterisk (*). Although some fields cannot be edited, all fields should be reviewed for accuracy. All of the information in each section listed below should be verified and/or data should be entered into the following fields:
 - Federal Agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted
 - Federal Grant or Other Identifying Number Assigned by Federal Agency
 - Recipient Organization
 - EIN Number
 - Recipient Identifying Number or Account Number
 - Final Report

- Basis
- Funding/Grant Period
- Period covered by this Report
- Transactions
- Indirect Expense
- Remarks
- Certification

Please see the next page for a screen shot of the SF-269 Financial Status Report details page.



Note: If you enter information into the SF-269A form (short version) and decide to alternate to the SF-269 form (long version), all information entered will automatically carry over to the new form upon switching versions.



Saving and Submitting a SF-269A or SF-269 Financial Status Report

Once all the information has been verified on either the SF-269A or SF-269 report, save the form and start the workflow. Starting the workflow consists of routing the report through multiple approvals prior to sending it to NOAA for review and acceptance.

- 1. From the bottom of the S*F-269A or SF-269 form*, there are several options available.
 - "Save" this option saves all information entered on the form without starting workflow.
 - "Save and Return to Main" this option saves all information entered on the form and also starts the workflow process. The Financial Status Report will then be routed to the report creator for review and approval.
 - "Cancel" this option returns you to the "Go to SF-269: Financial Status Report" launch page. If this option is selected prior to saving, all data entered will be lost.
 - "Print" this option generates a .pdf, printer-friendly version of the report.



- 2. Select "Save" to capture all data entered and validate the form.
- If there are no validation issues found, select "Save and Return to Main" to start workflow. A review task will be sent to the creator's inbox for review.

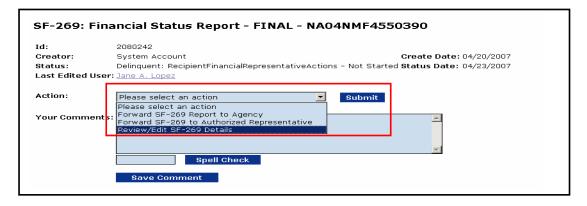


Note: When saving the report, the data is validated against *Cash Receipts (drawdowns)* and *Federal Funds Authorized* in the CBS system. Selecting save validates the form. If the form is not validated, it cannot be forwarded to NOAA. Upon selecting "Save" any validation issues will be displayed at the top of the page in red.

- 4. Select the "Inbox" tab, followed by the "Task" link.
- Select the "View" link, next to the review task.



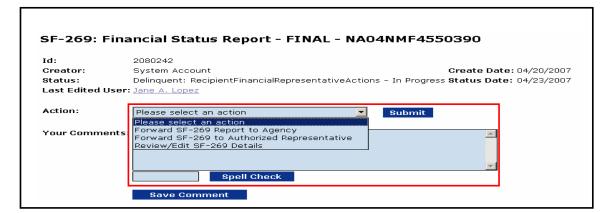
- 6. The SF-269: Financial Status Report launch page will appear. The action dropdown menu will contain the following three options:
 - Forward SF-269 Report to Agency This option forwards the report to NOAA for approval.
 (This option is only available to users that have the Authorized Representative or Business/Finance Representative-Submitting roles. If you do not have one of these two roles, you will only have the next two options available.)
 - Forward SF-269 Report to Authorized Representative This option routes the report to an
 internal authorized representative for approval prior to the report being submitted to NOAA.
 - Review/Edit SF-269 Details This option opens the SF-269A or SF-269 details page for review.
 The document is not locked and revisions can be made prior to sending for approval.



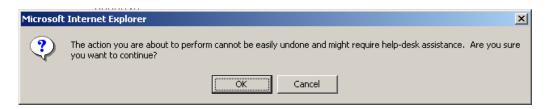
- Select the "Review /Edit SF-269 Details" option from the action dropdown menu, followed by "Submit." (Note: The screen below is only a portion of the entire Financial Status Report form.)
- . Review and/or edit the report and select "Save and Return to Main" once complete.



- 9. You will be prompted to the "SF-269 Financial Status Report" launch page.
- 10. Select "Forward SF-269 Report to Agency" from the action dropdown menu, followed by "Submit."



11. A warning message will appear, select "OK" to proceed.



If you do not have the role of Authorized Representative or Business/Finance Representative-Submitting, you must select "Forward SF-269 to Authorized Representative" for review and approval. The Authorized Representative for your organization will receive a task entitled, "Review SF-269 Report." This task will allow the Authorized Representative to access the task via the Task Inbox, and to review, edit and approve the SF-269. After reviewing the report, the Authorized Representative will have the option to "Forward SF-269 Report to Agency" from their action dropdown menu.

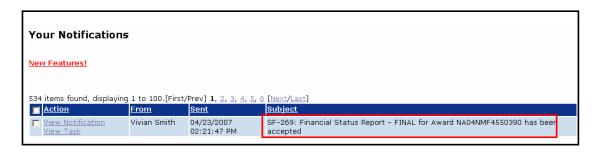


Note: Page 28, Step 10-17 details the workflow of the report if, "Forward SF-269 Report to Agency" is selected.

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Warning: The Forward to Agency workflow action carries the legal weight of a wet-ink signature.

Once the report is forwarded to the NOAA, there are two possible workflow routes. If there were comments entered into the "Remarks" field on the SF-269A or SF-269 form, the report will be sent to the Grants Management Division for approval. If there were no comments entered, the report will automatically be approved and the following notification will be sent to your notification inbox:



If a report requires Grants Management Division approval, the notification above will automatically be sent to your notification inbox upon approval. If you do not receive notification of approval of the report, please contact the Grants Online Help Desk for further assistance.

Accessing and Submitting a SF-272: Financial Cash Transactions Report

1. Select the "Award" tab, followed by the "Search Reports" link.

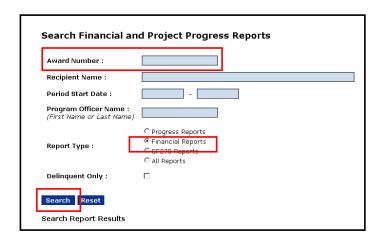


2. The "Search Financial and Project Progress Reports" launch page will appear. From this page, there are several report search options available using various search criteria.



Note: If you enter search criteria into more than one field, you are asking the system to search and match all the information you entered. We recommend you enter a limited amount of search criteria to ensure the most accurate results.

- 3. Enter the *Award Number* and select the "Financial Reports" radio button. Select the "Delinquent Only" checkbox to view all delinquent reports only.
- Select "Search."



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- 5. The search results will be displayed at the bottom of the page. Notice the status of each report located in the "Status" column. The affiliated status for each financial report is defined below:
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 report was not submitted by the required date, it can still be submitted to NOAA via Grants
 Online.
 - Withdrawn –The report was accepted by NOAA but subsequently withdrawn for correction. A
 correcting report is created for every withdrawn report.
 - Replaced The original report created has been withdrawn and replaced with a new report.

Search Repor	t Results						
685 items found	, displaying 601 to	685.[<u>First/Pre</u>	ev] 1, 2, 3, 4,	<u>5, 6</u> , 7 [Nex	kt/Last]		
<u>Report</u>	<u>Award Number</u>	Reporting Period Start			<u>Program</u> Officer	<u>Status</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
<u>SF-269:</u> Financial Status Report	NA04NMF4550390	10/01/2004	09/30/2006	12/29/2006	Kelly A. Taranto	Accepted	Virginia Institute of Marine Science
SF-272: Federal Cash Transactions Report	NA16OP1487	04/01/2003	09/30/2003	10/30/2003	Quay Frances Dortch	Delinquent	Virginia Institute of Marine Science
SF-272: Federal Cash Transactions Report	NA03NMF4570378	04/01/2005	07/31/2005	08/30/2005	Derek M. Orner	Delinquent	Virginia Institute of Marine Science
SF-272: Federal Cash Transactions Report	NA04NMF4570375	04/01/2006	09/30/2006	10/30/2006	Derek M. Orner	Delinquent	Virginia Institute of Marine Science



If you do not know the Award number, select the Financial Reports radio button, followed by "Search." This will return all awards for which you are designated as a representative. If you are an Authorized Representative or Business/Financial Representative, all Awards for your organization will be displayed. Alternatively, you may narrow the search by entering the Award number or entering other search criteria.



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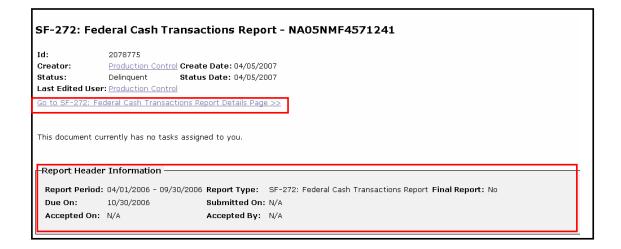
If a Financial Status Report record is not available for completion and submission, contact the Grants Online Help Desk to have the necessary report record added to the system. Please review the terms and conditions of your award before doing so. The Help Desk will not insert reports that are not due.

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6. Locate the SF-272: Federal Cash Transaction Report to be completed. Select the actual report name link from the "Reports" column. (i.e. SF -272 Federal Cash Transaction Report).

Search Report	Results						
685 items found,	displaying 601 to	685.[<u>First/Pre</u>	v] <u>1, 2, 3, 4,</u>	<u>5, 6,</u> 7 [Nex	kt/Last]		
<u>Report</u>	<u>Award Number</u>	<u>Reporting</u> Period Start			<u>Program</u> Officer	<u>Status</u>	<u>Recipient</u>
SF-272: Federal Cash Transactions Report	NA05NMF4551134	04/01/2006	09/30/2006	10/30/2006	Kelly A. Taranto	Delinquent	Virginia Institute of Marine Science

- 7. The "SF-272 Federal Cash Transaction Report" launch page will be displayed. Review the "Report Header Information" section, verifying the reporting period, report type and the report due date.
- 8. Select the link entitled, "Go to SF-272 Federal Cash Transaction Report Details Page."



- 5. The SF-272 form will appear. The form contains thirteen sections of detailed Financial Report information, including the fields that are locked and cannot be edited. All fields requiring data to be entered are flagged with a red asterisk (*). Although some fields cannot be edited, all fields should be reviewed for accuracy. All of the information in each section listed below should be verified and/or data should be entered into the following fields
 - Federal Agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted
 - Recipient Organization
 - Federal Employer Identification Number
 - · Federal grant or other identification number
 - · Recipient's account number or identifying number
 - · Letter of credit number
 - Last payment voucher number
 - · Payment Vouchers credited to your account
 - Treasury checks received (whether or not deposited)
 - Payment Vouchers credited to your account
 - Treasury checks received (whether or not deposited)
 - · Period covered by this report
 - · Status of Federal Cash
 - · Cash Requirements Days
 - Other information
 - Remarks
 - Certification (The certification fields will automatically populate with the signature and additional information once the workflow has been started and the Authorized Representative forwards the report to NOAA.)

Please see the next page for a screen shot of the SF-272: Federal Cash Transaction details page.

		OMB APPROVA	AL NO. 0348-0003
Fadaual Coah Turu	D	1. Federal sponsoring agency a	nd organizational element to which
Federal Cash Transactions	керогt	this report is submitted:	
		Department of Commerce/No	DAA
		4. Federal grant or other	5. Recipient's account number or
		identification number	identifying number
		NA05NMF4571241	
2. Recipient Organization:		6. Letter of credit number	7. Last payment voucher number
Virginia Institute of Marine Science			
P.O. Box 1346, Gloucester Point, VA 23062 USA			ber for this period
The best to to, discossion family, the best some		8. Payment Vouchers credited to your account	9. Treasury checks received (whether or not deposited)
		10. PERIOD COVE	RED BY THIS REPORT
3. Federal Employer Identification No.			
546001802		FROM April 01, 2006	TO September 30, 2006
	a. Cash on hand at beg	inning of reporting period *	\$
	b. Letter of credit witho	drawals *	\$
	c. Treasury check paym	nents	\$0.00
	d. Total receipts (Sum	of lines b and c)	\$0.00
	e. Total cash available	(Sum of lines a and d)	\$0.00
11. Status of Federal Cash	f. Gross disbursements	*	\$
	g. Federal share of prog	gram income *	\$
	h. Net disbursements <i>(L</i>	ine f minus line g)	\$0.00
	i. Adjustments of prior p	periods	\$
	j. Cash on hand at end	of period *	\$
12. The amount shown on line 11j, above,		13. Other information	ın.
represents cash requirements for the ensuing	a. Interest income	13. Other illiorniatio	\$
* days		tone or subnestrantors	\$
14. Remarks	b. Advances to subgran	itees or subcontractors	\$
14. Remarks			
	×		
Spell Check			
Cash on hand greater than \$5,000 per award for r	nore than 5 ensuing day	s use requires an explanation.	
	15. CERTIFICAT	TION	
I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that	Authorized	Signature	Date Report Submitted
this report is true in all respects and that all disbursements have been made for the purpose and	Certifying	Typed or Printed Name and	T-1
conditions of the grant or agreement.	Official	Title	Telephone
Determine Withdrawals from the Automated Standard	Application for Payments	(ASAP) system >>	

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6. Select the "Determine Withdrawals from the Automated Standard Application for Payments (ASAP) system" link from the bottom of the SF-272 form to populate the Letter of Cash Withdrawals (Item 11b). You have the option to enter the dollar amount in the "Letter of Cash Withdrawals" field, but you can use this system functionality to generate the exact dollar amount from the NOAA accounting system. This is not a required step.

Determine Withdrawals from the Automated Standard Application for Payments (ASAP) system >>

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Saving and Submitting a SF-272

Once all the information has been verified on either the SF-272, it is time to save the form and start workflow. Starting the workflow consists of routing the report through multiple approvals prior to the form being received by NOAA for acceptance.

- 1. From the bottom of the S*F-272 form*, there are several options available:
 - "Save" This option saves all information entered in the report without starting workflow.
 - "Save and Return to Main" This option saves all information entered in the report and also starts the workflow process. The Financial Status Report will then be routed to the report creator for review and approval.
 - "Cancel" This option returns the user to the *SF-272: Federal Cash Transactions Report*" launch page. If this option is selected prior to saving, all data entered will be lost.
 - "Print" -This option generates a .pdf printer-friendly version of the report.



- 2. Select "Save" to capture all data entered and validate the form.
- 3. If there are no validation issues to be corrected, select "Save and Return to Main" to start workflow. A review task will be sent to the creator's inbox for review. The creator of the task should access their task inbox and proceed with the following steps.



Note: Selecting "Save" validates the form along with saving any data entered. Any issues found will be displayed at the top of the screen in red. Once all issues are resolved, the report can be forwarded. If the form is not validated, you will not have the option to forward the report to NOAA.

- 4. Select the "Inbox" tab, followed by the "Task" link.
- 5. Select the "View" link, next to the "Review SF-272 Report" task.



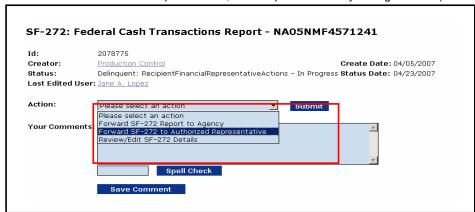
- The "SF-272" Federal Cash Transactions Report" launch page will be displayed. From the action dropdown menu there are several options:
 - Forward SF-272 Report to Agency This option will forward the report to NOAA for approval. (This option is only available to users that have the Authorized Representative or Business/Finance Representative-Submitting roles. If you do not have one of these two roles, only the next two options will be available.)
 - Forward SF-272 Report to Authorized Representative This option sends the report to an internal authorized representative for approval prior to the report being submitted to NOAA.
 - Review/Edit SF-272 Details This option opens the SF-269A or SF-269 details page for review. The document is not locked and revisions can be made prior to sending for approval.

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Select the "Review /Edit SF-272 Details" option from the action dropdown menu, followed by "Submit." The "SF-272 Federal Cash Transaction Report" details page will be displayed. Review and make any edits to the form as needed. (Note: The screen shot below is only a portion of the entire Federal Cash Transaction Report form.)



- 8. After reviewing, select "Save and Return to Main" to return to the launch page.
- If you do not have the role of Authorized Representative or Business/Finance Representative-Submitting, you will still only have the option to Review the SF-272 or Forward to the Authorized Representative.
- For demonstration purposes, select "Forward to Authorized Representative," followed by "Submit." (Remember, if you have the option to "Forward SF-272 Report to Agency," there is no need to forward it to the Authorized Representative, unless specified within your organization.)



 A "Review SF-272: Federal Cash Transaction Report" task will be sent to the Authorized Representative task inbox for review.



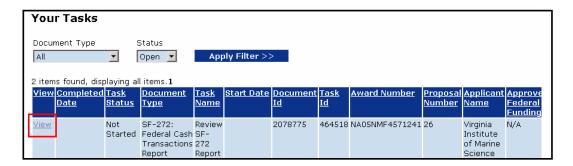
Note: If you have the role of Authorized Representative and you select to "Forward SF-272 to Authorized Representative," it may appear that you are receiving the task twice. This is not the case. The first time you receive the task, you are receiving it as the creator or initiator of the report. The second time you receive the task, you are acting as the Authorized Representative.

12. Select the "Inbox" tab, followed by the "Task" link.



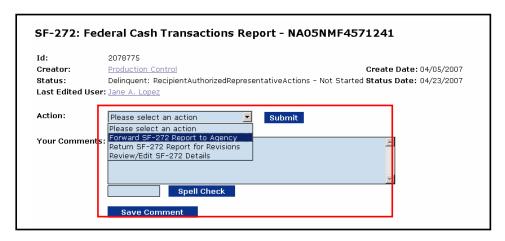
Note: If there is more then one Authorized Representative listed in the organization, the "Review SF-272" task will be forwarded to the Inbox of each Authorized Representative. The first Authorized Representative to view the task becomes the owner of the task and must complete the task. The task will be canceled from the Inbox of the other Authorized Representatives. To view any canceled task in your task inbox, select the "Closed" option from the Status dropdown menu, followed by "Apply Filter." If there are any canceled tasks, the canceled status will be displayed in the "Task Status" column.

13. Select the "View" link next to the task entitled, "Review SF-272: Federal Cash Transaction Report." Notice the task status is listed as "Not Started."

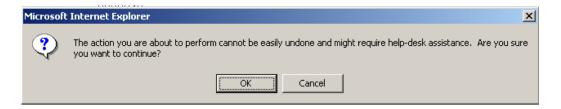


- 14. From the action dropdown menu, the Authorized Representative has the following options:
 - Forward SF-272 Report to Agency –This option forwards the SF-272 to NOAA for approval.
 - Return SF-272 Report for Revisions This option returns the SF-272 Report to the creator for revisions.
 - Review/Edit SF-272 Details This option opens the SF-272 details page for review. The document is not locked and revisions can be made prior to sending for approval.
- 15. Select "Review/Edit" SF-272 Details," followed by "Submit." Review and/or edit the form and select "Save and Return to Main" from the bottom of the page details page.

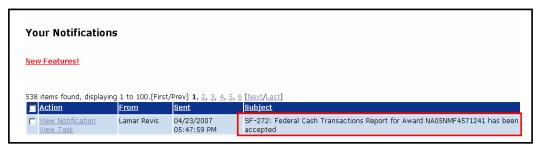
16. Once the document has been reviewed and is ready for submission, select "Forward SF-272 Report to Agency," followed by "Submit" from the action dropdown menu. There is also an option to enter comments into the "Your Comments" box, followed by selecting "Save Comment."



17. A warning message will appear, select "OK" to proceed.



18. Once the report has been forwarded to the agency, there are two possible workflow routes. If there were comments entered into the "Remarks" field on the SF-272 form, the report will be sent to the Grants Management Division for approval. If there were no comments entered, the report will automatically be approved and the notification below will be sent to your notification inbox. The same notification will also be sent once the report has been reviewed and approved by the Grants Management Division. If you do not receive a notification indicating the report has been approved, please contact the Grants Online Help Desk for assistance.



Accessing and Submitting a SF-272A: Multiple Awards Report

A SF-272A can be submitted by any organization that has more then one active award in Grants Online. This option will allow you to view, create, or replace a SF-272 Financial Cash Transactions Report for multiple awards in the same organization.

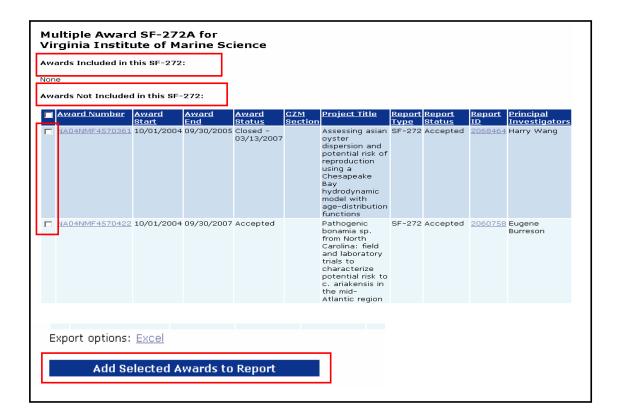
- 1. Select the "Award" tab, followed by the "SF-272A for Multiple Awards" link.
- 2. If there are any existing multiple Award SF-272A's already created, they will be listed at the top of the page under the "Existing Multiple Award SF-272 Documents" section.
- To create a new SF-272A, select the "Start Date" of the reporting period from the dropdown menu.
- 4. Select "Create Multiple Award SF-272A."



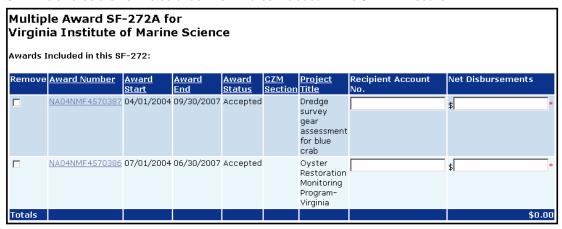


Warning! You are not able to create an SF-272A for any financial reports with a period end date in the future. Also, if you attempt to create a SF-272 for only one award, you will receive an error message. This option is only available for organizations with more than one active award in Grants Online.

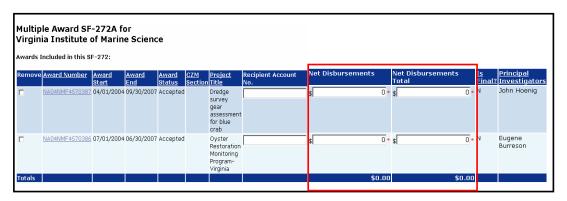
- 5. The "Multiple Award SF-272A" page is displayed. This page is divided into two sections, "Awards Included in this SF-272" and "Awards Not Included in this SF-272."
- 6. Use the boxes to the left of each row to select the awards to be included in the SF-272A.
- After the selections are made, select the "Save" button. (The button shown in the picture below was changed.)



The awards are now listed under the "Awards Included in this SF-272A" section.



9. Scroll to the right side of the page and enter data into the appropriate fields for those awards that will be included in the SF-472A report. All required fields are flagged with a red asterisk (*).



10. Once all of the data has been entered, select the "Go to the SF-272 Details Page" link. If you are not ready to proceed to the SF-272 details page, you have the option to save the data for later use by selecting "Save." Select "Print" to populate a printable .pdf version of the SF-272A.



11. The SF-272 form will appear. This form contains multiple sections of detailed Financial Report information, including the fields that are locked and cannot be edited. Although some fields cannot be edited, all fields should be reviewed for accuracy. (Please refer to page 22, Steps 10-11 for the steps to completing a SF-272 form.)

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Federal Cash Transactions	Report	this report is submitted:		
		Department of Commerce/No	DAA	
		4. Federal grant or other	5. Recipient's account number or	
		identification number	identifying number	
		N/A	N/A	
2. Recipient Organization:	6. Letter of credit number	7. Last payment voucher number		
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Virginia Institute of Marine Science	Give total num	her for this period		
P.O. Box 1346, Gloucester Point, VA 23062 USA	Give total number for this period 8. Payment Vouchers credited 9. Treasury checks received			
		to your account	(whether or not deposited)	
		10. PERIOD COVE	RED BY THIS REPORT	
3. Federal Employer Identification No.				
E46001000		FROM October 01, 2006	TO March 31, 2007	
546001802				
		inning of reporting period *	\$	
11. Status of Federal Cash	b. Letter of credit witho		\$	
	c. Treasury check payments		\$0.00	
	d. Total receipts (Sum of lines b and c)		\$0.00 \$0.00	
	e. Total cash available (Sum of lines a and d) f. Gross disbursements *		\$0.00	
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	g. Federal share of program income *		\$0.00	
	h. Net disbursements (Line f minus line g)		\$	
	i. Adjustments of prior periods			
	j. Cash on hand at end	of period *	\$	
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Saving and Submitting a SF-272A

After all information has been verified on either the SF-272 or SF-272A form, save and start the workflow. Starting the workflow consists of routing the report through multiple approvals prior to the report being received by NOAA for acceptance.

- 1. From the bottom of the SF-272 form there are several options available:
 - Save This option saves all information entered in the report without starting workflow.
 - Save and Return to Main This option saves all data entered in the report and also starts the
 workflow process. The Federal Financial Report will then be routed to the report creator for
 review and approval.
 - **Cancel** This option returns the "SF-272 Financial Cash Transactions Report" launch page. If this option is selected prior to saving, all information entered will be lost.
 - **Print** This option generates an Adobe file (.pdf) printer-friendly version of the report.

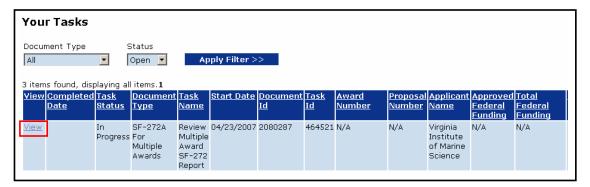


- 2. Select "Save" to capture all data entered and validate the form.
- 3. If there are no validation issues to be corrected, select "Save and Return to Main" to start the workflow. A review task will be sent to the creator's inbox for review. The creator of the task should access his/her task inbox and proceed with the following steps.



Note: Selecting "Save" validates the form along with saving any data entered. Any issues found will be displayed at the top of the screen in red. Once all issues are resolved, the report can be forwarded. If the form is not validated, you will not have the option to forward the report to NOAA.

- 4. Select the "Inbox" tab, followed by the "Task" link.
- 5. Select the "View" link, next to the "Review SF-272A For Multiple Awards" task.

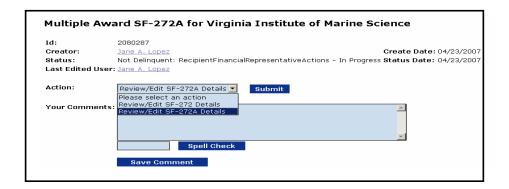




Note: If you have the role of Authorized Representative and you select to "Forward SF-272 to Authorized Representative," it may appear that you are receiving the task twice. This is not the case. The first time you receive the task, you are receiving it as the creator or initiator of the report. The second time you receive the task, you are acting as the Authorized Representative.

The "Multiple Award SF-272A" launch page will be displayed. From the action dropdown menu there are several options available:

- Review/Edit SF-272 Details This option opens the SF-272 details page for review and edits.
- Review/Edit SF-272A Details This option opens the SF-272A details page containing all
 multiple awards affiliated with the report.



6. Select the "Review /Edit SF-272 Details" option form the action dropdown menu, followed by "Submit." The "SF-272 Federal Cash Transaction Report" details page will be displayed. Review and make any edits to the form as needed. (Note: The screen shot below is only a portion of the entire Federal Cash Transaction Report form.)

Federal Cash Transactions Report	 Federal sponsoring agency and organizational element to whic this report is submitted: Department of Commerce/NOAA 		
	Federal grant or other identification number	5. Recipient's account number or identifying number	
	NA05NMF4571241	98989	
2. Recipient Organization:	6. Letter of credit number	7. Last payment voucher number	
Virginia Institute of Marine Science	098897		
	Give total number for this period		
P.O. Box 1346, Gloucester Point, VA 23062 USA	8. Payment Vouchers credited to your account	9. Treasury checks received (whether or not deposited)	
	10. PERIOD COVE	RED BY THIS REPORT	

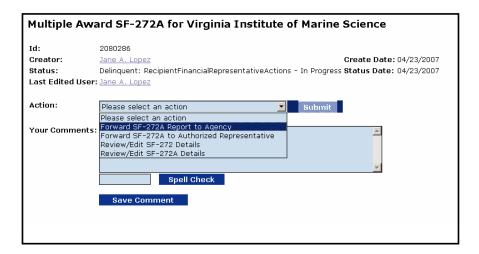
7. After review, select "Save and Return to Main." You will be prompted to the "Multiple Award SF-272" launch page.



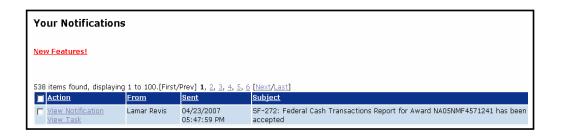
Note: If you opted to review the "SF-272A," you must also review the "SF-272" page before you will receive the option from your action dropdown menu to move the report forward.

Notice that you now have more options in your action dropdown menu. If you do not have the role of Authorized Representative or Business/Finance Representative-Submitting, you will only have the option to Review the SF-272 or SF-272A or Forward SF-272A to the Authorized Representative.

 Select "Forward SF-272A Report to Agency" followed by "Submit." (To view the workflow of the report, if "Forward SF-272A to Authorized Representative" is selected, refer to page 28, Steps 10-17.)



9. Once the report has been forwarded to the agency, there are two possible workflow routes for the report. If there were comments entered into the "Remarks" field on the SF-272 form, the report will be sent to the Grants Management Division for approval. If there were no comments entered, the report will automatically be approved and the notification below will be sent to your notification inbox. If Cash on hand at end of period is greater than \$5000, a comment in the "Remarks" field is mandatory. If approval was required by the Grants Management Division, the notification will be sent once the report has been reviewed and approved by the Grants Management Division. If you do not receive a notification indicating approval of the report, please contact the Grants Online Help Desk for assistance.



Accessing and Reviewing Financial Reports from the Grants File page

The section below reviews the process of accessing Financial Status reports from the grants file page and replacing reports.

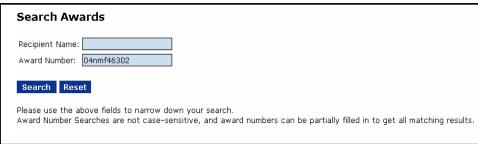
1. Select the Awards tab, followed by the Search Awards link from the left hand menu.



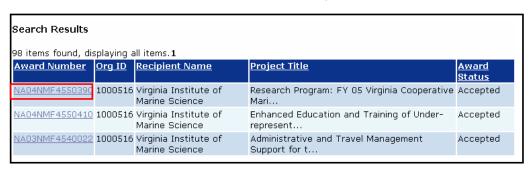
2. Enter the Award Number, followed by selecting Search.



Note: If you do not know the Award number, select **Search** without entering any search criteria. This will return all awards for which you are designated as a representative.

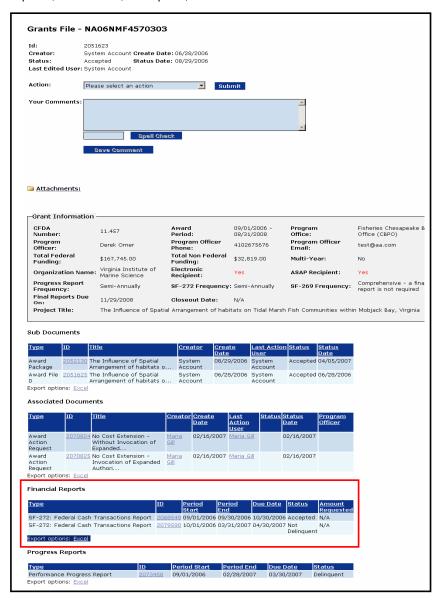


3. The search results will populate at the bottom of the page. Locate the Award number and click on the actual **Award Number** link to access the Grants File page.

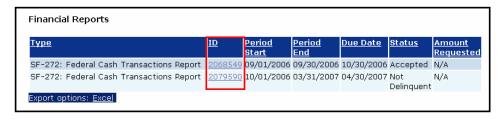


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4. The Grants File page will be displayed. Scroll down the page and locate the section entitled, "Financial Reports." All financial reports including SF-269s, SF-269As, SF-272s, and SF272As will be located here. Also listed under the "Status" column is a description of the reports condition such as "Delinquent", "Submitted", "Accepted", etc.



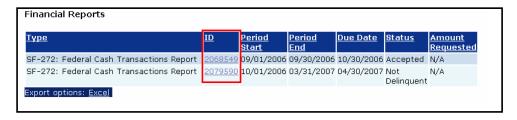
5. To view the Financial Report details page, select the ID number next to the report that you wish to view. When the launch page opens, select the blue link at the top of the screen guiding you to the report details page.



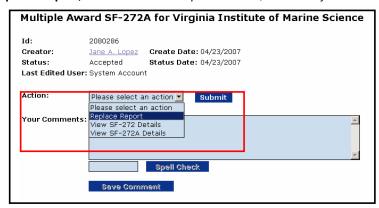
Replacing a Report

Any Federal Financial Report (or Project Progress Report) for open Awards can be replaced with a new report. Replacing a report consists of removing the original report submitted and accepted and replacing it with a new report. The new report will be sent through the same approval workflow as all other financial reports. There is no limit on the number of times a report can be replaced, but there are some basic guidelines to keep in mind.

- There is no need to replace old reports migrated into Grants Online unless there is a significantly wrong "Cash on Hand" value in the SF-272.
- Only accepted reports can be replaced.
- Reports cannot be replaced on closed awards.
- 1. From the Grants File page, locate the report to be replaced under the "Financial Reports' section.
- 2. Click on the ID number link affiliated with the report.



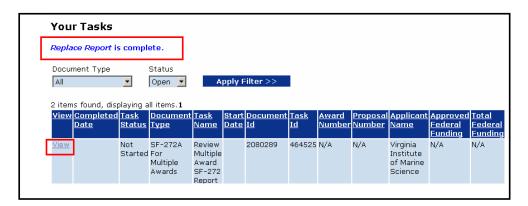
- 3. The financial report launch page will appear.
- 4. Select "Replace Report," from the action dropdown menu, followed by "Submit."



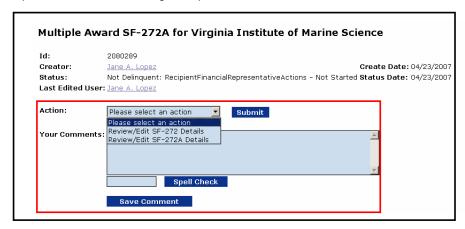
5. A warning message will appear, select "OK" to proceed.



- 6. Upon selecting "OK," you will be directed to your Task inbox and a message will be displayed showing the action status.
- 7. A new task will be generated allowing a new report to be entered in place of the replaced report. Select the "View" link next to the new task.



8. The financial report launch page will be displayed. From the action dropdown menu, you will have the option to review/edit the original report that was submitted.



9. Notice that the status of the financial report on the Grants File page will be updated to reflect the replacement. The status will change from "Withdrawn" to "Replaced" upon acceptance of the replacement report.

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<u>Type</u>	_		<u>Period</u> <u>End</u>	<u>Due Date</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Amount</u> Requested			
Multiple Award SF- 272A	2080287	10/01/2006	03/31/2007	04/30/2007	Withdrawn	N/A			
Multiple Award SF- 272A	2080289	10/01/2006	03/31/2007		Not Delinquent: RecipientFinancialRepresentativeActions - Not Started	N/A			
SF-272: Federal Cash Transactions Report	1164160	10/01/2004	03/31/2005	04/30/2005	Accepted	N/A			

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